BEFORE THE BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

LAUREL ANNE JOHNSEN 10815 E Clearwater Way Clovis, CA 93619

Registered Nurse License No. 590322

Respondent

Case No. 2013-59

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on **December 14, 2012.**

IT IS SO ORDERED December 14, 2012.

Raymond Mallel, President

Board of Registered Nursing

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California

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9	BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS			
10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA			
11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 2013-59			
12	LAUREL ANNE JOHNSEN 10815 E. Clearwater Way			
13	Clovis, CA 93619 STIPULATED SURRENDER OF			
14	Registered Nurse License No. 590322			
15	Respondent.			
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17	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties in this			
18	proceeding that the following matters are true:			
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	<u>PARTIES</u>			
20	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of			
21	Registered Nursing. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in			
22	this matter by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Sterling A.			
23	Smith, Deputy Attorney General.			
24	2. Laurel Anne Johnsen (Respondent) is representing herself in this proceeding and has			
25	chosen not to exercise her right to be represented by counsel.			
26	3. On or about October 25, 2001, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered			
27	Nurse License No. 590322 to Laurel Anne Johnsen (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License			
28	expired on November 30, 2011, and has not been renewed.			
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4. Accusation No. 2013-59 was filed before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on July 18, 2012. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 2013-59 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in
 Accusation No. 2013-59. Respondent also has carefully read, and understands the effects of this
 Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

- 8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 2013-59, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders her Registered Nurse License No. 590322 for the Board's formal acceptance.
- 9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of her Registered Nurse License without further process.

CONTINGENCY

10. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Registered Nursing.

Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of

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Registered Nursing may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

- 11. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 12. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.
- 13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 590322, issued to Respondent Laurel Anne Johnsen, is surrendered and accepted by the Board of Registered Nursing.

1. The surrender of Respondent's Registered Nurse License and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board of Registered Nursing.

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- 2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a registered nurse in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board her wall license and, if one was issued, her pocket license, on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 2013-59 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.
- 5. If and when Respondent's license is reinstated, she shall pay to the Board costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of \$1,152.00. Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board. Nothing in this provision shall be construed to prohibit the Board from reducing the amount of cost recovery upon reinstatement of the license.
- 6. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation, No. 2013-59 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.
- 7. Respondent shall not apply for licensure or petition for reinstatement for two (2) years from the effective date of the Board of Registered Nursing's Decision and Order.

ACCEPTANCE I have carefully read the Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I understand the 2 stipulation and the effect it will have on my Registered Nurse License. I enter into this 3 Stipulated Surrender of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to 4 be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Registered Nursing. 5 6 7 8 Respondent 9 **ENDORSEMENT** 10 The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted 11 for consideration by the Board of Registered Nursing of the Department of Consumer Affairs. 12 Respectfully submitted, 13 Kamala D. Harris 14 Attorney General of California Janice Lachman 15 Supervising Deputy Attorney General 16 .17.18 Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant 19 20 21 SA2012106168 10944527.docx 22 23 24 25 26 27

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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 2013-59

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13	Clovis, CA 93619 A C C U S A T I O N				
14	Registered Nurse License No. 590322				
15	Respondent.				
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17	Complainant alleges:				
18	PARTIES				
19	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN ("Complainant") brings this Accusation solely in her				
20	official capacity as the Interim Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing ("Board"),				
21	Department of Consumer Affairs.				
22	Registered Nurse License				
23	2. On or about October 25, 2001, the Board issued Registered Nurse License Number				
24	590322 to Laurel Anne Johnsen ("Respondent"). The registered nurse license expired on				
25	November 30, 2011, and has not been renewed.				
26	STATUTORY PROVISIONS				
27	3. Section 2750 of the Business and Professions Code ("Code") provides, in pertinent				
28	part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an				
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inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.

- 4. Code section 2764 provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under Code section 2811, subdivision (b), the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.
 - 5. Code section 2761 states, in pertinent part:

The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

(a) Unprofessional conduct...,

(f) Conviction of a felony or of any offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a registered nurse, in which event the record of the conviction shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

6. Code section 2762 states, in pertinent part:

In addition to other acts constituting unprofessional conduct within the meaning of this chapter [the Nursing Practice Act], it is unprofessional conduct for a person licensed under this chapter to do any of the following:

- (b) Use any controlled substance as defined in Division 10 (commencing with Section 11000) of the Health and Safety Code, or any dangerous drug or dangerous device as defined in Section 4022, or alcoholic beverages, to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself or herself, any other person, or the public or to the extent that such use impairs his or her ability to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by his or her license.
- (c) Be convicted of a criminal offense involving the prescription, consumption, or self-administration of any of the substances described in subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section, or the possession of, or falsification of a record pertaining to, the substances described in subdivision (a) of this section, in which event the record of the conviction is conclusive evidence thereof.

7. Code section 2765 states:

A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere made to a charge substantially related to the qualifications, functions and duties of a registered nurse is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this article. The board may order the license or certificate suspended or revoked, or may decline to issue a license or certificate, when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing such person

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to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information or indictment.

COST RECOVERY

8. Code section 125.3 provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Criminal Convictions)

- 9. Respondent has subjected her license to discipline pursuant to Code section 2761, subdivision (f), in that Respondent has been convicted of the following crimes that are ______substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a registered nurse:
- a. On or about September 22, 2005, in the Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, California, in the matter entitled *People of Laurel Anne Johnsen*, 2005, Case No. 5NE00359, Respondent was convicted by the court following her plea of nolo contendere to a violation of Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (a) (driving while under the influence of alcohol), a misdemeanor. The circumstances of the crime are that on January 6, 2005, Respondent was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.
- b. On or about October 18, 2011, in the Superior Court, County of Fresno, Clovis Division, California, in the matter entitled *People of Laurel Anne Johnsen*, 2011, Case No. M11001019 M A, Respondent was convicted by the court following her plea of nolo contendere to a violation of Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (b) (driving with a blood alcohol level of .08% or higher), a misdemeanor, with admissions of a prior conviction for DUI, as set forth in subparagraph a, above. The circumstances of the crime are that on May 4, 2011, Respondent was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol following a non-injury traffic collision. Respondent's blood alcohol level measured .14%.

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SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Conviction of a Crime Involving Alcohol)

10. Respondent has subjected her license to discipline pursuant to Code section 2761, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, as defined by Code section 2762, subdivision (c), in that Respondent has been convicted of crimes involving the consumption of alcohol, as more particularly set forth in paragraph 9, above.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Use Alcohol to an Extent or in a Manner Dangerous or Injurious)

11. Respondent has subjected her license to discipline pursuant to Code section 2761, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, as defined in Code section 2762, subdivision (b), in that on or about January 6, 2005, and May 4, 2011, Respondent used alcohol to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to herself or others, as more particularly set forth in paragraph 9 above.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:

- 1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 590322, issued to Laurel Anne Johnsen;
- 2. Ordering Laurel Anne Johnsen to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3; and,
 - 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: (July 18, 2012

LOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., RN

Interim Executive Officer Board of Registered Nursing

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California Complainant

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